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MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF GOODNESTONE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 7.30PM AT CHILLENDEEN VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT:

Councillors: Jon Aldington (JA), Paul Allen (PA), Sue Baker (SB), Francis Plumptre (FS), Karen Stanford (KS) 1 Member of the Public Parish Clerk – Joanna Jones County Cllr Chandler District Cllr Porter

1. APOLOGIES

County District Cllr Bartlett.

2. PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION TIME

The meeting closed and one member of the public expressed concerns on the pothole situation in Chillenden and drainage in Lower Rowling, they were advised to report any issues on the KCC Highways reporting Tool, the more reports that are made the better. The Chairman thanked the member of the public and the meeting then re-opened at 7.43pm.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of interest in item 15. were declared by Cllrs Allen as he is member of the Windmill Committee.

4. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED the minutes of the Ordinary Parish Meeting held on 31st July 2024 be duly signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record of the meeting.

5. REPORTS

- a) County Councillor Chandler – Gave a report including improvements in KCC’s Special Educational Needs & Disabilities provision, all KCC County parks have retained their green flag status, the KCC Strategic Transport plan is out for consultation, DDC have adopted the Local Plan and she answered questions on funding and Highways.
- b) District Councillors – Bartlett & Porter – the September report had been emailed. District Cllr Porter reported on Community Grants, Community Roots buses and help available for pensioners at Age Concern, Sandwich as well as DDC’s audit of Planning Enforcement.
- c) Parish Councillors – no reports
- d) Community PC – no report

6. ACTIONS

Action	Owner	Status	Update
Footpaths Lower Rowling/Knowlton	JA	On-going	Lower Rowling footpaths look to be ok, to inspect Knowlton footpaths and report on the KCC Public Rights of Way Reporting Tool, if needed.
National Grid Pylons	KCC (SC)	Discharged	Cty Cllr SC reported there is no news, there is no definite scheme yet, Clerk had forwarded consultation details.
Speed Indicator Device	SB	Discharged	The speed indicator device has been sent to Westcotec, awaiting feedback, Cllr Aldington agreed to be the volunteer for Claypits.
Broken Mirror – between Church & Village Hall Chillenden	Clerk	Discharged	KCC Highways will not replace the mirror.
CCTV Police Registration Scheme	KS	Discharged	Details included in The Messenger

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Dangerous Junctions	Clerk	Discharged	Griffin Hill accident & overgrown vegetation/hedgerows near Copman's Hall reported to KCC Highways
Construction traffic in Rowling – DOV/19/01525	Clerk	Discharged	Traffic concerns have been reported to DDC Planning
Community Initiatives - Noticeboard	Clerk	Discharged	Labour & materials payment on payments list for approval
New Litterbin for Goodnestone	Clerk	Discharged	New litter bin installed.
Millenium Field & Environmental Fund	KS,SB	Discharged	Working party formed.
Mowing Contract	KS, SB	Discharged	Frequency & extent of mowing fine at the moment.
Finance	KS	On-going	To arrange for remaining funds in the Natwest Deposit Account to be transferred to Unity Trust & close the Account
Clerk – Pension & Hours	Clerk	On-going	Clerk's owed hours to go on the next agenda, to be reviewed after full year of employment. JA spoke to KCC about the high costs of joining the KCC pension scheme, Clerk to confirm actual costs.
Planning Applications – DOV/24/00634	Clerk	Discharged	Letter of complaint sent to DDC Head of Planning
The Local Nature Recovery Strategy for Kent & Medway Survey	SB	Discharged	Reviewed
Gov.uk emails	JA	Discharged	JA researched .gov domain name and emails

7. FOOTPATH OFFICER REPORT

- a) Report – nothing specific to report
- b) The Planning Inspectorate Letter – Byway Open to All Traffic EE496 and Restricted Byway EE497 at Wingham and Goodnestone – Definitive Map Modification Order 2022 – Statement of case and comments due by 12/12/2024

Discussions were held agreed that all Parish Councillors would review

Action Parish Councillors

8. HIGHWAY OFFICER REPORT

- a) New position for SID pole – Agreed by Kent County Council, cost £1,080.01
Nothing more to discuss.

- b) Speedwatch initiative

No volunteers have come forward.

- c) Crockshard Hill – road closed 7-11th October
- d) Boyes Lane – road closed – 14-18th October

Both of these road closures to be advertised in The Messenger and on the website.

Action KS & JA

- e) Broken Roadside Mirror – Between Church & Village Hall Chillenden

Discussions were held, agreed to seek the views of the Villagers about a replacement mirror.

Action PA

- f) KCC – Overgrown vegetation/hedgerows near Copman's Hall – Risk Assessed, no action required
- g) KCC Highways & Transport Seminar – 2nd Oct & 20th Nov

Both of the above noted by members.

9. COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

- a) Millenium Field & Environmental Fund - How to maximise usage and add value to the village
Cllr Stanford reported on plans to clear vegetation, empty out the rotten Millenium shed and possibly put in some raised planters and benches and bring the sheep back. Clerk to investigate the Community Payback

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Scheme for probationer volunteers to help and Cllrs Baker and Stanford to advertise in the Messenger for ideas and volunteers for a working party. **Action Clerk, SB & KS**

- b) Mowing Contract – nothing more to discuss.
- c) Defibrillators – both checked and The Circuit updated.

Noted by members.

- d) Use of Parish Council Noticeboards

Discussions were held, it was agreed that the noticeboards should not be for business flyers but community events and notices.

10. FINANCE

- a) Natwest Bank Deposit account – nothing more to discuss.
- b) Clerk – Local Government Pension Scheme & Hours - nothing more to discuss.

11. PAYMENTS

a) Payments to be approved

RESOLVED the following payments should be made.

Payee	Service	Invoice	Amount
Already paid			
Joanna Jones	Clerk's Net Salary August		£156.40
HMRC	PAYE - August		£39.20
Smith of Derby	Annual Service of Holy Cross Church Clock	133260	£372.00
Set up to be paid			
Roger Austin	Mowing of Playing Field & Millenium Field – 24/08/24	2422	£168.00
Joanna Jones	Clerk's Net Salary September		£156.60
HMRC	PAYE - September		£39.00
Church Communities UK	Beech Grove – Noticeboard installation		£75.00

12. PLANNING

a) Planning Applications

To discuss any planning applications received prior to the meeting

- i) DOV/24/00847

Proposal: Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) of planning permission 22/01225 (Erection of 3 no. detached dwellings, associated parking and landscaping) to allow enlargement of dwellings, reposition of plot 1 and 2, erection of car ports and associated landscaping. Discharge of conditions 3,4,7 and 10.

Location: Land Noth East of Fitzwalters Meadow, Boyes Lane, Goodnestone, CT3 1FB

Detailed discussions were held, RESOLVED to object to this application on the grounds of the lack of parking within the development for houses of this size, there is already a lack of parking in the village and this will exacerbate the problem further, there is a lack of turning space and the scale of houses is disproportionate to the size of the plot and the adjacent properties

b) Planning Decisions

To note any planning applications received prior to the meeting

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i) TR/24/00002

Proposal: 5 Day Notice to fell one dead Pine tree situated within a conservation area.

Location: Chillenden House, Goodnestone Road, Chillenden, CT3 1PS

Decision: Raise no objection

ii)DOV/24/00634

Proposal: Erection of an outbuilding

Location: The Oast House, Cave Lane, Goodnestone, CT3 1PB

Decision- Granted

iii)DOV/24/00259

Proposal: Erection of a agricultural building for the housing of cattle

Location: Agricultural Land North of Station Road, Chillenden, CT3 1PP

Decision- Granted

All of the above noted by members

c) Planning Correspondence

To discuss any correspondence related to planning

i) DDC Planning Enforcement – ENF/24/00252 – Research and investigations into:

Location: Lower Rowling Farm, Rowling Road, Goodnestone, Kent

Subject: Breach of condition 3 of 19/01525

ii) DDC Apology - DOV/24/00634 – Administrative error, decision cannot be withdrawn

Proposal: Erection of an outbuilding

Location: The Oast House, Cave Lane, Goodnestone, CT3 1PB

iii) Local Plan – Legally compliant & sound

All of the above noted by members.

d) Report

Cllr Allen reported on the Local Plan, five houses in Short Street was considered to be appropriate.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

a) KALC (Kent Association Local Councils) & NALC (National Association Local Councils) – all updates emailed.

Noted by members.

b) Sandwich is Open - DDC Website Petition 1hr Free Parking Council Car Parks

Discussions were held, agreed that Clerk is to register Parish Council's support.

Action Clerk

14. CHILLENDEEN WINDMILL

a) Proposed KCC Consultation to Divest

Cllr Allen reported that all Kent Windmills were against the KCC proposals, the policy was due to be adopted in November, KCC had been invited to the 23rd October Windmill meeting and a meeting was trying to be arranged with Roger Gale.

15. COMMUNICATION

a) Gov.uk – website & emails - £100 grant available

RESOLVED to purchase a .gov domain name from Netwise, Clerk to organise grant and Cllr Aldington to arrange .gov website and individual Councillor and Clerk .gov email accounts. **Action JA & Clerk**

16. EVENTS

a) DDC Annual Town & Parish Council Meeting – 28th Nov 6pm

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Agreed that Cllr Aldington would attend, Clerk to book.

Action Clerk & JA

17. PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION TIME: A short session set aside for parishioners to raise matters.

Individual contributions should be kept to less than 5 minutes.

No contributions.

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

20th November – 7.30pm - Goodnestone Village Hall

22nd January – 7.30pm - Goodnestone Village Hall

26th March - Goodnestone Village Hall

14th May - 7.30pm – Chillenden Village Hall

Meeting was formally closed at 21:05